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## COMMENT ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Applicant acknowledges receipt of the Notice of Allowance mailed on December 15, 2006, and the accompanying Notice of Allowability (Form PTOL-37). Pages 2-3 of the Notice of Allowability set forth a statement by the Examiner of reasons for allowing the claims. Applicants agree that the claims recite allowable subject matter. However, Applicants do not agree in all respects with the stated reasons for allowance. For example, Applicants believe that the stated reasons should not be interpreted to mean that they are the only reasons supporting the

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allowability of the claims, and that there are no other reasons that separately and independently support the allowability of the independent claims and/or the dependent claims.

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